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QUOTE

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SUBJECT: SALT PRESS GUIDANCE

DISTO/REVCON/SALT

1. FOLLOWING GUIDANCE GIVEN DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN FOR
MAY 28 NOON BRIEFING:

2. Q - CAN YOU CONFIRM REPORTS THAT THE SALT TALKS --
WHICH WERE SCHEDULED TO RESUME JUNE 2 -- WILL NOT RESUME
FOR ANOTHER TWO OR THREE WEEKS, QUOTE TO GIVE CAPITALS TIME
FOR MORE CONSIDERATION OF THE ISSUES? UNQUOTE (UPI077,
GENEVA 5/27.)

3. A - YES, I EXPECT A RESUMPTION DATE WILL BE ANNOUNCED
IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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4. Q - WILL THE RESUMPTION HAVE TO AWAIT ANOTHER
KISSINGER-GROMYKO MEETING?

5. A - NO.

6. Q - IF THE RESUMPTION DOESN'T DEPEND ON ANOTHER
KISSINGER-GROMYKO MEETING, WHAT IS THE DELAY?

7. A - TO GIVE TIME FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE
ISSUES UNDER NEGOTIATION. END GUIDANCE.

8. QUESTIONS NOT ASKED.

9. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ALSO INFORMED OF PLAN TO ANNOUNCE
SALT RESUMPTION DATE ON FRIDAY, AND PROVIDED WITH
FOLLOWING JOINT STATEMENT FOR USE AT THAT TIME:

10. QUOTE RESUMPTION OF SALT. THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE
UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE AGREED TO RESUME
THE STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION TALKS (SALT) IN GENEVA ON
JUNE 23, 1975. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNDERSTANDING
REACHED AT VLADIVOSTOK ON NOVEMBER 24, 1974 BETWEEN
PRESIDENT FORD AND GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV, THE
OBJECTIVE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE TO WORK OUT THIS
YEAR A NEW AGREEMENT LIMITING STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS
THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1985.

11. QUOTE THE US SALT DELEGATION WILL BE HEADED BY
AMBASSADOR U. ALEXIS JOHNSON. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE
DELEGATION INCLUDE DR. HAROLD BROWN, LT. GENERAL
EDWARD L. ROWNY, USA, MR. BORIS H. KLOSSON,
MR. RALPH EARLE II, AND DR. MICHAEL M. MAY. UNQUOTE INGERSOTL

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